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REAGENTS AND METHODS)

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND
STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.607(c)

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Sir:

This Amendment and Reply to Restriction Requirement is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on May 19, 2003, for the above-captioned application ("the Office Action"). The Examiner set a one (1) month period for response. A petition for a three-month extension accompanies this Reply, which is being filed on or before its current due date of September 19, 2003.

In addition, the new claims submitted in this Amendment and Reply correspond substantially to claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,555,520 to Sims et al., and they are being added to meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §135(b). A Request for Interference under 37 C.F.R. §1.607(c) will be submitted in due course.

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SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

Claims 1-20 are currently pending in this application.

Claims 1-20 are being canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. New claims 21-32 are being added.

After the amendments, claims 21-32 will be pending.